

IN THE CLAIMS:

The following is a complete listing of claims and replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the present application:

Claims 1-29 (canceled)

Claim 30 (currently amended): A method of controlling a data communication apparatus, the method comprising the steps of:

controlling the data communication apparatus to send image data selected by a user to a printer via a serial bus, the image data selected by the user being sent from the data communication apparatus in response to entering a send instruction into the data communication apparatus;

controlling the data communication apparatus to ~~start inhibiting, invalidating or ignoring inhibit, invalidate, or ignore~~ a predetermined user instruction ~~in response to entering the send instruction into~~ while the data communication apparatus sends the image data selected by the user to the printer;

controlling the data communication apparatus to stop inhibiting, invalidating or ignoring the predetermined user instruction in response to receiving notice from the printer that the image data selected by the user is printed; and

controlling the data communication apparatus to stop inhibiting, invalidating or ignoring the predetermined user instruction in response to disconnecting the data communication apparatus from the serial bus.

Claim 31 (previously presented): A method according to claim 30, further comprising the step of:

controlling the data communication apparatus to notify a user with a warning message in response to entering the predetermined user instruction into the data communication apparatus when the predetermined user instruction is inhibited, invalidated or ignored.

Claim 32 (currently amended): A method according to claim 30, wherein the data communication apparatus is an apparatus including ~~at least one video recording unit and at least one~~ a camera unit.

Claim 33 (previously presented): A method according to claim 30, wherein the serial bus conforms to IEEE 1394 standards.

Claim 34 (currently amended): A data communication apparatus comprising:
a data communication unit that sends image data selected by a user to a printer via a serial bus, the image data selected by the user being sent from the data communication unit in response to entering a send instruction into the data communication apparatus; and
a control unit that (a) ~~starts inhibiting, invalidating or ignoring~~ inhibits, invalidates or ignores a predetermined user instruction ~~in response to entering the send instruction into~~ while the data communication apparatus sends the image data selected by the user to the printer, (b) stops inhibiting, invalidating or ignoring the predetermined user instruction in response to receiving notice from the printer that the image data selected by the

user is printed, and (c) stops inhibiting, invalidating or ignoring the predetermined user instruction in response to disconnecting the data communication apparatus from the serial bus.

Claim 35 (currently amended): A data communication apparatus according to claim 34, wherein ~~[[said]]~~ the control unit notifies a user with a warning message in response to entering the predetermined user instruction into said data communication apparatus when the predetermined user instruction is inhibited, invalidated or ignored by said control unit.

Claim 36 (currently amended): A data communication apparatus according to claim 34, wherein ~~[[said]]~~ the data communication apparatus is an apparatus including ~~at least one video recording unit and at least one~~ a camera unit.

Claim 37 (previously presented): A data communication apparatus according to claim 34, wherein the serial bus conforms to IEEE 1394 standards.

Claim 38 (new): A method according to claim 30, wherein the predetermined user instruction includes an instruction to change a mode of the data communication apparatus to another mode.

Claim 39 (new): A data communication apparatus according to claim 34, wherein the predetermined user instruction includes an instruction to change a mode of the data communication apparatus to another mode.